



ST. JOHN

THE BAPTIST PARISH

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LaPlace, LA 70068
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**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH
AND THE
RIVER PARISHES TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

This Agreement made this 22nd day of January, 2019, by and between **St. John the Baptist Parish ("Parish")**, 1811 West Airline Highway, LaPlace, LA 70068, herein represented by Natalie Robottom, Parish President,

AND

The River Parishes Transit Authority ("RPTA"), P.O. Box 2444, LaPlace, LA 70068, herein represented by Corey Fauchaux, Chairman.

WHEREAS, The River Parishes Transit Authority (RPTA) was created pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statutes 48:1601 et seq as a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the state comprising all of the territory in the parishes of St. Charles, St. James and St. John the Baptist; and

WHEREAS, the RPTA was created for the purpose to "plan, design, lease (as lessee), purchase, acquire, hold, own, construct, improve, have equity in, maintain, and administer a transit system within the area, to operate same or contract therefore, and to lease (as lessor) same for operation by private parties"; and

WHEREAS, the RPTA has developed a plan for implementation of such transit system in an area including St. Charles and St. John the Baptist Parishes; and

WHEREAS, the RPTA relies upon financial participation from its member parishes to supplement funds necessary to carry out its purpose of providing public transit; and

WHEREAS, each Parish in the service area has agreed to participate at the initial level of \$125,000 per year;

NOW THEREFORE, The Parish and the RPTA hereby enter into this Intergovernmental Agreement for the purpose of distribution of local funds to the RPTA for use in provision of a regional mass transit system service to St. Charles and St. John the Baptist Parishes subject to the following:

1. The term of this Agreement is for three (3) years beginning from the date of execution through January 21, 2022 and may be renewed by the Parish President for one (1) additional year based upon the mutual consent of the parties and the allocation of funding by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council.

2. The RPTA shall be responsible for the provision of the public transit system including any and all capital and/or operating matters required for the system.
3. The RPTA shall provide the transit system and operate and maintain it in accordance with all requirements of the Federal Transit Administration, Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD), and any other applicable state or federal laws and regulations.
4. The RPTA will defend, indemnify and hold harmless St. John the Baptist Parish as per Attachment A from any and all damages and/or claims which may be sustained or arise from the operation of the public transit system, including but not limited to damages sustained as a result of negligence of the RPTA, its agents or employees or as a result of any defect in any equipment used or service provided.
5. The Parish shall fund the RPTA on a monthly basis in the amount of \$10,416.66, for a total of \$125,000.00 per year for the duration of this contract.
6. The RPTA shall provide to St. John the Baptist Parish a complete financial and operating report on the transit system within sixty days of the close of each fiscal year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of this 22nd day of January, 2019.

Natalie Robottom

Natalie Robottom
Parish President
St. John the Baptist Parish

Corey Raucheux

Corey Raucheux
Authorized Representative
River Parishes Transit Authority

Witness: Lacene Joomke

Witness: Magam Jenkins

Witness: C. Asa

Witness: [Signature]



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GENERAL RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

To the fullest extent permitted by law, **River Parishes Transit Authority (RPTA)**, herein represented by **Corey Faucheux**, its **Authorized Representative**, agrees and warrants to hold harmless the St. John the Baptist Parish, its agents, employees, executive staff and/or its affiliates, in official and/or personal capacities, for damage or injury of any type whatsoever, and hereby releases, discharges, and waives any action, either legal or equitable that might arise out of any activities during any phase of transportation services in St. John the Baptist Parish.

RPTA also agrees to release St. John the Baptist Parish and all of its Agents and Employees, from and against all liability claims, demands, damages, causes of actions and losses, arising out of or resulting from participation in the program, provided that such claim, demand, damage, cause of action or loss is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting therefrom, but only to the extent cause in whole or in part by negligent acts or omissions of RPTA.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this 22nd day of January, 2019, in the presence of the undersigned witnesses.

Witness:

Laverne Joorns

WITNESS:

C. Asy

St. John the Baptist Parish

Natalie Robottom

Natalie Robottom
Parish President

River Parishes Transit Authority

Corey Faucheux

Corey Faucheux
Authorized Representative

On motion of R. Lemons, seconded by J. Dias, the following resolution was offered:

RESOLUTION NO. 01-2019

WHEREAS; the River Parishes Transit Authority Board of Commissioners (RPTA) was created pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statutes 48:1601 et seq as a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the state comprising all of the territory in the parishes of St. Charles, St. James and St. John the Baptist; and

WHEREAS; the RPTA was created for the purpose to "plan, design, lease (as lessee), purchase, acquire, hold, own, construct, improve, have equity in, maintain, and administer a transit system within the area, to operate same or contract therefore, and to lease (as lessor) same for operation by private parties;" and

WHEREAS; the RPTA is operating a public transit system in an area including St. Charles and St. John the Baptist Parishes; and

WHEREAS; the RPTA relies upon financial participation from its member parishes to supplement funds necessary to carry out its purpose of providing public transit; and

WHEREAS; St. Charles and St. John the Baptist Parishes has agreed to provide funding to the RPTA; and

WHEREAS; Corey Faucheux is the RPTA Board Chairperson and, as such, has the authority to execute contract agreements and all other documents on behalf of the RPTA.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Corey Faucheux is hereby authorized to execute agreements on behalf of the RPTA with the **Parishes of St. John the Baptist and St. Charles** for the provision of supplemental funds for public transportation for the **Parishes of St. John the Baptist and St. Charles** and/or any City with the **Parishes of St. John the Baptist and St. Charles**.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS 6 NAYS 0 ABSENT 1

The resolution was declared to be adopted on this 10th day of January 2019.


Corey Faucheux

Chairperson, River Parishes Transit Authority

1/10/19
Date



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January 28th, 2019

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Dear Mrs. Robottom:

Please be advised of the following motion, which the St. John the Baptist Parish Council adopted at a meeting held on Tuesday, January 22nd, 2019.

“Councilman Madere moved and Councilwoman Remondet seconded the motion to grant administration authorization to execute a new Intergovernmental Agreement with the River Parishes Transit Authority (RPTA) with the same terms. The motion passed unanimously.”

CERTIFICATION

I, Jackie Landeche, Secretary of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a motion adopted by said body on the 22nd day of January, 2019.

January 28th, 2019

Jackie Landeche
Council Secretary
St. John the Baptist Parish Council
